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- 1.  Fee Calculation — at bottom of this transmittal form.
- 2.  Specification — Total Pages: 21, including 8 page(s) of claims, and 1 page abstract.
- 3  Four (4) sheets total drawing(s) (Figs. 1-7) (35 U.S.C. 113).
- 4.  Oath or Declaration — Total pages: 2
  - a.  Newly executed (original) by the inventors
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(for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed)  
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    - i.  Deletion of Inventor(s). Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
  - c.  Unsigned.
- 5.  Incorporation by Reference [useable if Box 4b is checked].  
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
- 6.  Microfiche Computer Program (*Appendix*)
- 7.  Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
  - a.  Computer readable copy
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- 9.  37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee)
  - Power of Attorney
- 10.  English Translation Document (if applicable)
- 11.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449
  - Copies of IDS citations
- 12.  Preliminary Amendment
- 13.  Return receipt postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
- 14.  Small entity statement(s), unsigned.
  - Statement filed in prior application, status still proper and desired
- 15.  Certified copy of priority document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)

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